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SUBJ: PRESS ARTICLES ON BNDD INVOLVEMENT IN HEROIN SEIZURE

IN AMSTERDAM (WOND CHIU TING C1-73-0070).

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1. AS MENTIONED IN TELCON JUNE 22, 1973 WITH J. CHRISTIANSON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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(EMBASSY NARCOTIC COORDINATOR, THE HAGUE) SAIC GUY CONFIRMED

STATEMENT IN PARAGRAPH 3 THAT DEFENDANTS DID IN FACT TAKE INITIATION IN TRANSACTION TO EXTENT THEY INITIALLY SENT PERSON TO U.S. TO OBTAIN AMERICAN "GANGSTAR CONNECTION" BUYER FOR DRUGS. THIS UNDERLINES NEED FOR TRAFFICKERS WITH GROSS QUANTITIES OF HEROIN (EXCESS OF FIVE OR TEN KILO QUANTITIES OF PURE HEROIN) TO LOOK FOR METHODS OF DISTRIBUTION IN U.S. MARKET. REFERENCE BNDD 1066

- 2. IN CASE C1-73-0070 (GF: WONG CHIU TING) SUCH WAS THE SITUATION. REFERENCE BRUSSELS 0879 DATED AS EARLY AS FEBRUARY 20, 1973. AMSTERDAM POLICE HAD BEEN ADVISED OF APPROACH AND KNOWING CRIMINAL REPUTATION AND HISTORY OF SUSPECTS, WELCOMED BNDD AGENTS AND SOI TO COME FROM U.S. TO ASSIST IN DEVELOPMENT OF INVESTIGATION. ALL ACTIVITY OF BNDD AGENTS IN HOLLAND WAS COORDINATED WITH AMSTERDAM POLICE WHO, UPON SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION PRAISED SPECIAL AGENTS BEN C. YARBROUGH AND STEPHEN TSE FOR THEIR COOPERATION AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THISE CASE WHICH TO DATE REPRESENTS THE LARGEST SINGLE SEIZURE OF HEROIN IN THE NETHERLANDS.
- 3. ENTRAPMENT IS PROTECTED BY U.S. LAW AS WELL AS DUTCH LAW. IT EXISITS WHEN UNDERCOVER ACTIVITY OF POLICE IMPLANTS IN THE MIND OF AN OTHERWISE INNOCENT PERSON THE DESIRE TO COMMIT A CRIMINAL ACT WHICH HE WOULD NOT OTHERWISE COMMIT. ENTRAPMENT WOULD INDEED EXIST IF BY ENTICEMENT, COERCION OR PERSISTENT PRESSURE A LAW-ABIDING CITIZEN WAS INDUCED INTO COMMITTING A CRIMINAL ACT. (U.S. SUPREME COURT DECISION OF SORRELLS V. U.S., 287 U.S. 435 WAS EXAMPLE OF SUCH PERSISTENT SOLICITATION.
- 4. THIS UNDERCOVER ACTIVITY IS TOLERATED WITHIN OUR LEGAL SYSTEM ONLY WHEN IT PROVIDES A DEFENDANT WITH A VICTIM FOR A CRIME HE PREVIOUSLY INTENDED TO COMMIT.
- 5. IN THE CASE OF UNITED STATES V. BECKER, 62 F2ND 1007, THREE SITUATIONS WERE INDICATED WHEN THE DEFENSE OF ENTRAPMENT WOULD NOT BE SUSTAINED: (A) WHEN THE ACCUSED WAS ALREADY ENGAGED IN AN EXISTING COURSE OR IN SIMILAR CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR: (B) WHEN THE DEFENDANT IS WILLING TO ENGAGE IN THE CRIMINAL ACTIVITY AS EVIDENCED BY HIS EASY OR QUICK PARTICIPATION.
- $6.\ NOT\ MERELY\ ONE,\ BUT\ ALL\ THREE\ POINTS\ EXISTED\ IN\ CASE\ UNDER LIMITED\ OFFICIAL\ USE$

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DISCUSSION: (A) INFORMATION INDICATED GROUP WAS LONG INVOLVED IN NARCOTIC TRAFFIC; (B) INTENT WAS CERTAINLY MANIFESTED WHEN GROUP SENT INTERMEDIARY TO U.S. TO SEEK OUT UNDERWORLD CONTACT TO BUY LARGE QUANTITIES OF HEROIN; AND (C) UC OFFICERS AND SOI ARRIVED IN HOLLAND ON MARCH 13, 1973 AND LESS THAN 40 HOURS LATERS DEFENDANTS WERE ARRESTED WITH POSSESSION OF CLOSE TO 30 POUNDS OF HEROIN, CERTAINLY A QUICK DELIVERY, EASILY EFFECTED BY THE DEFENDANTS.

7. THE U.S. AND NETHERLANDS ENJOY A SIMILAR RESPECT FOR RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS AND THROUGH MUTUAL APPRECIATION AND RESPECT THESE INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS ALL PRECAUTION WAS MADE IN ADVANCE (AND IN ALL FUTURE INCIDENTS OF JOINT COOPERATIVE INVESTIGATIONS WILL CONTINUE) TO AVOID THE POSSIBILITY OF SUSPECTS CLAIMING ENTRAPMENT. THE INVESTIGATION WAS A SPLENDID EXAMPLE OF CONCERN FOR IDIVIDUAL RIGHTS AND HOPEFULLY THE COURTS IN THE NETHERLANDS WILL ACCEPT THE FACTS AND ADEQUATE PENALITIES WILL BE METED OUT TO THE DEFENDANTS IN THIS CASE. STRAUSZ-HUPE UNQUOTE

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